

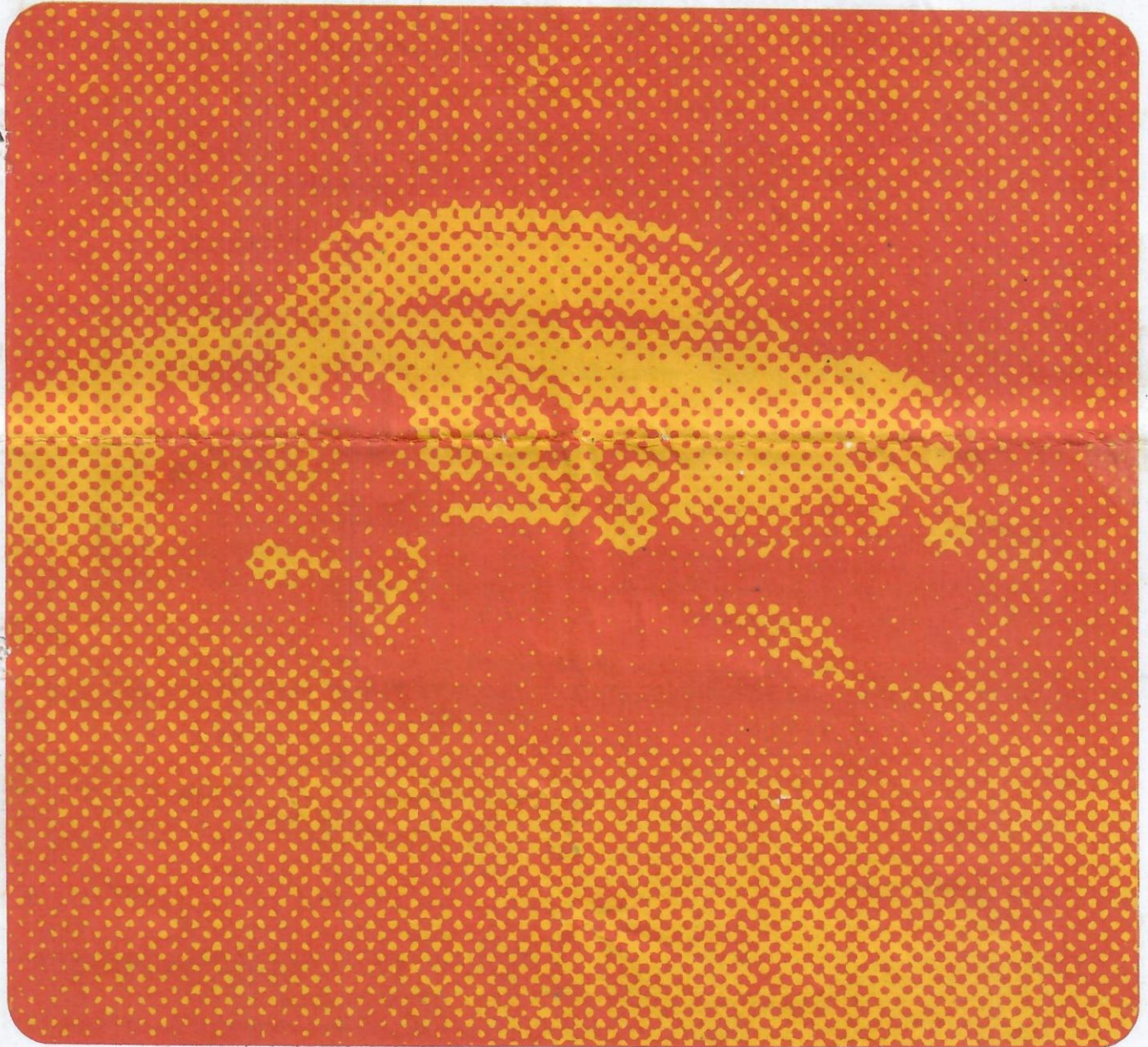
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"RALLYE DES DAMES '74"

Well, after months of promises that the Ladies Trial would come off, it did and with all the markers of success.

From the start at Malpas Hill on the Hume Highway, competitors faced the first section which led them down 6KM of straight bitumen, they think "Oh, a smooth event approaching".

Control one finds Chick and Rob McLeay, with most of the cars already down 2 or 3. Then onto Control 2, which passed the finish and included all of Settlement Road, notorious for Trials useage. Several competitors would have been suprised to find Kerry O'Sullivan at Control 2, on the Calder Highway, instead of his usual post on Fingerpost Corner; (this was a navigational trap in itself). Kerry O'S and Mike Pender sent the crews out to hopefully find Control 3, which found Anne Goucher/Heather Martin, all ladies crew, still clean.

Control 4 was the same as 3, a big loop in the forest, the only crew to clean this big loop was Ro Nixon/John Birrell, John says the Reno 750 hardly touched the ground at all. From Control 4, Warwick Smith and Keith and Ann Bainbridge sent the field on their way to Control 5 which also happened to be in the same place. Yes, another loop, but smaller, this time only Carolyn Cooke/Phillip Rainer managed to clean the section.

By now most regular Ladies Trials crews are starting to wonder about the annual Fingerpost Corner trick, which alas was the next point on the menu, but would you beleive, there was not even a manned via, much to the relief of all crews. This section led the field to Phillip (bicardi) Wylie stationed at Control 6 on the Calder Highway. Most crews found this section cleanable, Ann Goucher/Heather however, who had disappeared earlier, turned up here, which is another story.

From Control 6 the field crossed the Calder Highway to the unmapped Nortons Road, and then via the mapped Campbells Road, to Settlement Road, which had been used earlier. At a bridge over Jacksons Creek, S.W. of Clarkefield finds the finish of the event, where the Director and his assistants anxiously wait, hoping that no-body cleans the whole event.

So the first crew home is Carolyn Cooke/Phillip Rainer in the V6, only 4 points down followed by Suzi QuaiFFE/Lou Wuillimen in the R10, standard with no extra lights. Lou says their score could have been better if he had taken a tighter grip on his road card, which at some stage went out the window and had to be retrieved. Rumour has it that Jan Garafillis was getting 10KM faster with each turn, and perfecting the art of sideways around the corners. Ber/John Carpenter were third home with their EH XU1. Lillian and Ivan Brewer arrived at the finish a little later than most, informing us that Ballarat was in fact still in the same place.

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RALLYE DES DAMES CONT'D

The results are included herewith to show how easy it all was. We managed to eat up all the snags and refreshments provided. It seems a very good night was had by all, and the Rallye des Dames will become a much sought after event.

I would like to thank everybody who competed, acted as spectators, (of which there were numerous) the Control Officials, and in particular "J.B." and Andrew Elder for the great help and hours of hard work in planning and checking the event, and also Essie Kilfoyle of R.N.D. Services.

The Rallye des Dames was a great success for the Club, and should go to greater heights next year. The Directors are Mike Garafillis and John Stearne, so Ladies get inearly, as it promises to be a full field.

RESULTS

LADIES CLASS

- 1st. Jean Reid/Lorraine Stewart.
- 2nd. Andria Goucher/Heather Martin.
- 3rd. Sue Oldham/Jacqui Walker.

OUTRIGHT

- 1st. Carolyn Cooke/Phillip Rainer.
- 2nd. Suzi Quaiffe/Lou Wuillimen.
- 3rd. Beverly Carpenter/John Carpenter.

Presentation of Trophies will be at the December General Meeting of the R.C.C.V. at the Hall, Valetta Street, Malvern.

FULL RESULTS PRINTED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.

Bill Slatery has for sale at special prices to Club members, the following cars.

1. Renault 16TL, 1968, 85,000 miles approx. New tyres - body a bit rough. Price negotiable, about \$1,100.
 2. Peugeot 404, has been partly prepared for Trialling. Motor, gear-box, etc. overhauled approx. 100 miles. Price \$750 +/-
- CONTACT BILL on 311 4611.

R.C.G.V "RALLYE DES DAMES" 1974 - RESULTS

CAR NO.	CREW DVR NAV	START	'A'							TOT	LADY		
			C1	C2	C3	PC	C4	C5	C6		C7	CLASS	O/R.
1.	J.Reid/L.Stewart**-Corrola	-	3	-	9	-	6	11	-	-	29	1	8
2.	D.Roberts/T.Roberts-R8	-	2	19	4	-	4	7	-	-	36		10
3.	L.Brewer/I.Brewer - R10	-	2	5	16	EXCEEDED LATE TIME							
4.	D.O'Reilly/D.O'Reilly-Marina	-	3	-	4	-	14	1	-	-	22		=4
5.	C.Veel/L.Baker - Civic	-	-	-	RETIRED - ELECTRICS								
6.	S.Oldman/J.Walker**-Mini	-	4	4	23	30 ^m	30 ^m	60 ^m	60 ^m	60 ^m	271	3	14
7.	A.Goucher/H.Martin**-Cortina	-	-	-	-	30 ^m	30 ^m	60 ^m	60 ^m	60 ^L	240	2	13
8.	DID NOT START												
9.	S.Quaiffe/L.Wuillinen - R10	-	4	-	-	-	2	1	2 ^e	-	9		2
10.	M.Harkin/P.Harkin - 16TS	-	4	13	7	30 ^w	RETIRED - NAV. PROBLEMS						
11.	C.Mitchell/G.Stapley-Cortina	-	3	8	1 ^e	-	9	4	-	-	25		7
12.	C.Cooke/P.Rainer - Cortina	-	-	-	1 ^e	-	3	-	-	-	4		1
13.	R.Nixon/J.Birrell - 750	-	7	4	10	-	-	1	-	-	22		=4
14.	G.Pym/B.Pym - R10	-	3	3	5	-	17	3	2 ^e	-	33		9
15.	J.Garafillis/J.Quaiffe-R8	-	1	5	23 ^m	-	4	4	-	-	37		11
16.	L.Taylor/K.Taylor - R8S	-	1	-	60 ^m	-	60 ^m	5	-	-	126		12
17.	B.Dykes/N.Dykes - 16TS	-	4	1	2	-	10	5	-	-	22		=4
18.	A.Gaffney/C.Carter**-Datsun	-	-	37 ^w	4	RETIRED - BOGGED							
19.	F.Caruso/M.Caruso - R12	-	2	30 ^m	60 ^m	30 ^m	30 ^m	30 ^m	60 ^m	31	303		15
20.	B.Carpenter/J.Carpenter-EH	-	-	1 ^e	8	-	2	4	-	-	15		3

PRESENTATION NIGHT OF TROPHIES
DECEMBER 12th AT R.C.G.V. GENERAL
MEETING - VALETTA ST. MALVERN.

W== WRONG DIRECTION
M== MISSED CONTROL
L== EXCEEDED LATE RUNNING TIME BUT WITHIN 30.MIN ALLOW.
E== BOOKED IN EARLY